

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (previously presented) In a wireless communication system for transmitting and receiving data by using a multipath fading channel, an OFDM (orthogonal frequency division multiplexing) wireless communication system comprising:

a transmitter for performing IDFT (inverse discrete Fourier transform) on-information transmit vectors at least twice to modulate them into an OFDM (orthogonal frequency division multiplexing) signals, transmitting the modulated OFDM signals through a multipath fading channel, modulating a pilot symbol vector for predicting an amplitude and a phase of the multipath fading channel into an OFDM signal, and transmitting the modulated OFDM signal through the multipath fading channel; and

a receiver for demodulating the pilot symbol vector received through the multipath fading channel to predict the amplitude and the phase of the multipath fading channel, using the predicted amplitude and phase to compensate the amplitude and the phase multiplied to the received information transmit vectors, performing DFT (discrete Fourier transform) on the compensated information transmit vectors to average a noise signal value increased by the channel compensation in a specific interval with an amplitude of the channel with less than a mean value into a mean value within an OFDM symbol interval, and outputting the mean value,

wherein the transmitter comprises a first IDFT unit for performing IDFT on the information transmit vectors and outputting IDFT-performed signals; and a second IDFT unit for performing IDFT on the IDFT-performed signals output from the first IDFT unit to modulate them into OFDM signals, and

wherein the receiver comprises a first DFT unit for demodulating the received information transmit vectors into OFDM signals; and a second DFT unit for performing DFT on the compensated information transmit vectors and averaging a noise signal value which becomes enhanced in a specific interval with an amplitude of the channel with less than a mean value, to a mean value within a symbol interval.

2. (previously presented) The OFDM wireless communication system of claim 1, wherein the transmitter comprises:

- a mapper for mapping an externally received binary information sequence to symbols according to the MQAM (M-ary quadrature amplitude modulation) method;

- a serial to parallel converter for converting the mapped symbols into vector data that are information transmit vectors and outputting the information transmit vectors to the first IDFT;

- a third IDFT unit for modulating a pilot symbol vector for predicting the amplitude and phase of the multipath fading channel into an OFDM signal; and

- a parallel to serial converter and guard interval inserter for inserting a guard interval into the signals received from the second IDFT unit, converting the guard interval inserted information transmit vectors into a serial signal and transmitting it, and converting the guard interval inserted pilot symbol vector into a serial signals and transmitting it.

3. (previously presented) The OFDM wireless communication system of claim 2, wherein the receiver comprises:

- a guard interval eliminator and serial to parallel converter for eliminating the guard interval from the converted and received serial signal, and converting the guard interval eliminated serial signal into an information transmit vector and a pilot symbol vector respectively;

- a third DFT unit for demodulating the converted pilot symbol vector into an OFDM signal;

- a channel predictor and interpolator for predicting the amplitude and phase of the multipath fading channel using the demodulated pilot symbol vector;

- a channel compensator for compensating the amplitude and phase of the channel multiplied to the demodulated information transmit vector according to the predicted amplitude and phase of the channel;

- a parallel to serial converter for converting the signal received from the second DFT unit into a serial signals; and

a decoder for restoring the converted serial signals into a binary information sequence, and outputting the binary information sequence.

4. (previously presented) The OFDM wireless communication system of claim 2, wherein the channel compensator compensates the amplitude and phase of the channel through the MMSE (minimum mean square error) equalization method using the predicted amplitude and phase of the channel, and the MMSE equalization method satisfies the equation:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i^j(k) = \frac{r_i^j(k) \hat{H}_i^{j*}(k)}{|\hat{H}_i^{j*}(k)|^2 + \sigma_w^2 / \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_i^2}$$

here  $\hat{H}_i^{j*}(k)$  is the predicted amplitude and phase of the channel,  $\sigma_w^2$  and  $\sigma_x^2$  are mean power values of the OFDM signals and an AWGN (additive white Gaussian noise) signal, and  $\sigma_i^2$  is a mean power value of an ICI (interchannel interference) signal.

5. (original) The OFDM wireless communication system of claim 4, wherein the channel compensator compensates the amplitude and phase of the channel through the ZF (zero forcing) equalization method using the predicted amplitude and phase of the channel, and the ZF equalization method satisfies the equation:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i^j(k) = \frac{r_i^j(k) \hat{H}_i^{j*}(k)}{|\hat{H}_i^{j*}(k)|^2}.$$

6 (original) The OFDM wireless communication system of claim 4, wherein the channel compensator compensates the amplitude and phase of the channel through a gain limit equalization method using the predicted amplitude and phase of the channel, and the gain limit equalization method satisfies the equation:

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i^j(k) = \frac{r_i^j(k) \hat{H}_i^{j*}(k)}{|\hat{H}_i^{j*}(k)|^2 + \sigma}$$

where  $\sigma$  is a constant used for gain limits.

7. (previously presented) A wireless communication system including a transmitter for transmitting data using a multipath fading channel and a receiver for receiving them from the transmitter, comprising:

- a mapper for mapping an externally received binary information sequence to at least one symbol according to the MQAM (M-ary quadrature amplitude modulation) method;

- a serial to parallel converter for converting the mapped symbols into vector data which are information transmit vectors;

- a first IDFT (inverse discrete Fourier transform) unit including  $m$  IDFT units for performing IDFT on the converted information transmit vectors;

- an interleaver for writing subchannel values of the respective transmit vectors received from the IDFT unit in an  $m \times n$  memory buffer in the first direction;

- a second IDFT unit including  $n$  IDFT units for reading the subchannel values written in the first direction in the second direction when the writing in the first direction is finished, performing IDFT on the read subchannel values, and modulating them to OFDM (orthogonal frequency division multiplexing) signals;

- a third IDFT unit for modulating a pilot symbol vector for predicting an amplitude and a phase of the multipath fading channel to an OFDM signal; and

- a parallel to serial converter and guard interval inserter for inserting a guard interval into the signal received from the second IDFT unit, converting the guard interval inserted information transmit vector into a serial signal, transmitting the serial signal, converting the guard interval inserted pilot symbol vector into a serial signal, and transmitting it to the transmitter.

8. – 12. (canceled)

13. (previously presented) A method for compensating a channel in a wireless communication system for transmitting and receiving data using a multipath fading channel, comprising:

- (a) performing IDFT (inverse discrete Fourier transform) on information transmission vectors at least twice to modulate the vectors into OFDM (orthogonal frequency division

multiplexing) signals, and transmitting the modulated signal through the multipath fading channel;

(b) modulating a pilot symbol vector for predicting an amplitude and a phase of the multipath fading channel into an OFDM signal, and transmitting the modulated signal through the multipath fading channel;

(c) demodulating the pilot symbol vector received through the multipath fading channel to predict the amplitude and the phase of the multipath fading channel;

(d) compensating the amplitude and the phase of the channel multiplied to the received information transmit vectors by using the predicted amplitude and the phase of the channel; and

(e) performing DFT on the compensated channel signals, averaging a noise signal value enhanced by the channel compensation in a specific interval with an amplitude of the channel with less than a mean value into a mean value within an OFDM symbol interval, and outputting the mean value,

wherein (a) comprises performing a first IDFT on the information transmit vectors and outputting IDFT-performed signals; and performing a second IDFT on the IDFT-performed signals to modulate them into OFDM signals, and

wherein (d) comprises performing a first DFT for demodulating the received information transmit vectors into OFDM signals; and performing a second DFT on the compensated information transmit vectors and averaging a noise signal value which becomes enhanced in a specific interval with an amplitude of the channel with less than a mean value, to a mean value within a symbol interval.

14. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein (e) comprises using the MMSE (minimum mean square error) equalization method to compensate the amplitude and the phase of the channel multiplied to the received transmit vectors.

15. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein (e) comprises using the ZF (zero forcing) equalization method to compensate the amplitude and the phase of the channel multiplied to the received transmit vectors.

16. (previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein (e) comprises using the gain limit equalization method to compensate the amplitude and the phase of the channel multiplied to the received transmit vectors.

17. – 24. (canceled)